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## THE DAY S SUMMARY.

THE WEATHER.

After remaining at summer heat all day selected with the mercury seen after 9 o'clock ast night began to fall, and early this morning the tendency was still downward, with prespects for nucli-colder tempera-

Departure from normal temperature.. Precipitation during past 24 hours...

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

RICHMOND.

A. J. Ford, the widely known hotel man, lied at Gloucester Point—Younger plant of be rebuilt at once—An extension of time granted the Baptist Institute at Firstol—Lyle child-labor bill endorsed; abell bill defeated—Death of Dr. Joseph F. Deans—Bills offered to create an executive head for the University of Virginia; committee to consider them to lay—increase of salary for railway telegraphers—Speedway matter to be considered to-night—Death of an aged ceme-cry keeper—Actor denies the loss of fivo hideway matter to be considered to-night—Death of an aged ceme-cry keeper—Actor denies the loss of fivo hideway matter to be considered to-night—Death of an aged ceme-cry keeper—Actor denies the loss of fivo hideway and the considered to hideway matter to be condemned for public institutions, purposes—Death of Mr. W. B. Clarke, a nember of the Legislature—Cases argued in the United States Supreme Court of Appeals—Street-car transfer system comes before committee this evening—Pastor receives a silver service—Great nerease in tobacco handled—Church Hill streets in bad condition and sickness leared—Bill to sell franchises of cities to increase and—Fight, for Jamestown appropriation comes up this morning—Wind storm lamages wires—Considerable fall in the emperature to-day—Home for wander-stop to established—Ilchmond lady lives largely to a Hrazillam mission—Mr. Sunder of colored boys fined—A benefit of vaccination is biguin—Fueral of Mrs. Woodgock this afternoon—A valentine ea.

lles and Miss Julia Danlel at MoyN. C; E. F. Fisher and Miss A. J.
FISON at Heathsville; C. H. Ticer
Miss Florilla Danlels in Alexandria.
18—John T. Minson at El Paso,
George W. Denby at Norfolk; Mrs.
Talley at Trenton Mills; W. L.
e in Lancaster; Mrs. D. H. Brown
owhatan; Miss Christiana West at
Indria; Spotswood Goodloe at GorTille.

-Colonel Cuningham proposes a association.

## GENERAL.

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Fierce storm ravages in the midels west and South. Two lives lost in Chicago; way and South. Two lives lost in Chicago; way storm covered a wide area—Forey way. Storm covered a wide area—Forey effort being made by representatives of the allied Powers in Washington to produce an early settlement of the Venezuelan dispute without a reference to The Hagne tribunal—Mr. Berekeley Williams of this city, marries Miss Huldah Steel in Philadelphia—Two firemen killed and several injured by falling walls at a Hudson, Mass, fire—Effort to kill appropriation for special mail facilities between New York and New Orleans was not successful in the House yesterday, and the body adjourned with the moye to reconsider still pending—Progress of King Edward said by his physicians to be very satisfactory—Stock market yesterday was largely professional; money was easy at three to three and a half per cent.—Lively passage in Senate between Mr. Beveridge and Mr. Gallinger over the obstruction tactics being used in favor of the statchood bill—Former Congressman Page Morris, of Minnesota, who is a Virginian by birth, is to be named by Rooseveit as a Federal judge—Important changes in assignment of commanding generals of the army; General Wood to go to Philippines—Alliance forming between Rock Island and the Union and Southern Pacific—Negro in Pennsylvania penitentiary brutally murders his companion while the latter is asleep—Three favorfies with one the New Orleans track—Rook island and the Union and Southern Pacific—Negro in Pennsylvania penitentiary brutally murders his companion while the latter is asleep—Three favorfies with one the New Orleans track—Rook island and the Union and Southern Pacific—Firemanov the invitation has companion while the fatter is asleep—Three favorfies with one of the companion while the more prace than any high bern chinese woman in the world.

### HUNDRED CAUGHT IN A GAMBLING RAID

(By Associated Press,7 NEW YORK, February 4.—About one hundred men were caught to-day in a raid by the police on an alleged gamblin house and pool room in West Forty-first Street. The escape of the occupants was cut off by a strong cordon of police, while the iron-plated front door was bat-tered down. Joe Williams, the alleged iceper of the house, and four men said to be employed as dealers and door-keper, were arrested, the rest being al-lowed to depart.

# DEATH IN **GLOUCESTER** OF A. J. FORD

Remarkable Career.

# WAS A PIONEER

An Incident Showing His Business Acu men-His Connection with Management of Exchange and Ballard Hotels-Was 76 Years Old and Until Recently Quite Vigorous.

The history of Richmond for half a century is recalled by the death yesthroughout his life time, was identified

Mr. Ford died at 7:30 o'clock at his home on Sarah's Creek, near Gloucester Richmond about Christmas, and then in feeble health, and having disposed of his lease of Ford's Union Hotel he went to his small farm overlooking York River formation concerning his last hours are meagre. The telegram received by the noon yesterday. About four months ago he was stricken while in this city at he was stricken while in this city at the Ford's Union Hotel with inflamma-tory rheumatism, which involved his heart. His death at one time was hour-ly expected, but he grew better with good nursing and regained something of his old-time vigor. It is thought here that a similar attack must have come and carried him off suddenly as nothing had been heard about his being other than as well as usual.

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OLD TIME RICHMONDER.

The news of his death recalls the face and figure of this once weathy and prominent Richmonder to the recollections of older citizens. With his crect well-knit and well-preserved body, keer destroyed by fire and Mr. Ford at once became associated with Colonel J. L. Carrington in the management of the Exchange and Ballard Hotels. During the war and for several years after he ran a restaurant in the city. This was during the hard times of reconstruction days. But he saw prosperity and business progress ahead for the city and determined to "take the tide at its flood."

And here begins an episode which abounds in interest. Without a dollar in the world he set out to purchase the

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(Continued on Second Page.)

# KILLED HIM WHILE ASLEEP

### Negro In Penitentiary Murders His Cell Companion Brutally.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) PHILADELPHIA, PA., February 4 .-James Pratt, a negro convict, of Chester, Pa., serving a sentence of twenty years for burglary, robbery and assault and battery with attempt to kill, was slain to-day in the eastern penitentlary by his cell-mate, Cornelius Bush, also a negro, who had been serving a sentence of two years for assault and battery on his

stepfather. . Bush, who is a Philadelphian, attacked Pratt with a stool, beating him into unconsciousness, while he slept. While his victim still breathed Bush cut off Pratt's head with a rude saw made from an or dinary prison table knife.

The murder was discovered by Overseer Smith, who, peering into the cell, noticed Pratt's absence.

'Where's your cell-mate?" he asked. "Oh," was Bush's calm reply, "he won't bother you any more."

Smith became suspicious. He summoned another overseer, and the two entering the cell found the headless corpse weltering in blood, wrapped up in bed-clothing.

As they were removing Bush to another cell he made a motion as though to take with him what appeared to be a bundle cell he made a motion as though to take
with him what appeared to be a bundle
of soiled clothing. When the bundle was
copied it was found to contain Pratt's

## MADAME WU NOW HAS AMERICANIZED FEET

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SAN FRANCISCO, CALL, February 4.—
Madame Wu, wife of the Chinese minister, has had her feet "Lorenzed" into a shape approximating as nearly as possible those of the American women, and when she ascended the gang plank of the steamer which was to take her back to her native land she walked with an ease and grace such as never before distinguished the pedestrian movements of any high-born dame of China. Her feet are an inch longer than when she came to this country six years ago, and toes and heels are planted fairly upon the sole of her American-made shoe.

Her radical, almost revolutionary action will cause a scandal in the Chinese court, and it is not improbable that she will incur the emnity of the Dowager Empress, who hates intensely all things American. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

### TOOK CUBAN FLAG DOWN FROM HOTEL

een published here to the effect that the Cuban flag which was placed over

the Cuban flag which was placed over the Hotel de la Pais by the Cuban min-lister has been taken down by order of the Spanish authorities. The House of Representatives has passed a resolution asking President Falma to ascertain the facts regarding this alleged incident. The Senate Com-mittee has drafted a resolution in favor of the ratification of the Cuban commer-cial treaty with the United States.

# **PASSAGES**

Counsel for Miners Severe in Cross-Examination.

### STATISTICIAN UNDER FIRE

Figures Be Presented as to Earnings-Contract Miners Did Not Consider Pay to Helpers.

THILADELPHIA, PA., February several interesting events occurred at the cross-examination of Mr. Newcomb, spirited passages between the lawyer and less severe in his criticism of Mr. New-

Later in the day Mr. Darrow expressed of his remarks.

tors contended that the other side was endavoring to break its agreement with the operators regarding the basis of per-

Counsel for the operators admitted that the books accounted for the wages paid mission and an agreement having been reached by both sides as to the manner of making deductions in order to learn as near as possible the actual earnings of the miners, the operators' counsel characterized as farcical the calling of so many witnesses to attack the company's fleures.

many witnesses to attack the company's figures.
Dr. Charles D. Neal, assistant recorder of the commission, was asked by Chairman Gray to state the agreement, and at the conclusion of Dr. Neal's statement the chairman said the parties to the controversies could not make agreement which would necessarily be acceptable to the commission, although the effort was cicarly facilitating the investigation.
The miners expect to conclude their evidence in rebuttal to-morrow.

### THIRTY PERISHED ABOARD FRENCH BARK

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The report received here yesterday from Bayhead that a large vessel wrecked off Deborge Reef was believed to be the French bark Van Staple (Captain Kamper), which salled from Glasgow January 27th, for San Francisco, is confirmed.

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It is said that thirty persons who were on board the boat have been drowned.

### INVITED PRESIDENT TO THE UNVEILING

WASEINGTON, February 4.—President Roosevelt received an invitation to-day to attend the unveiling on July 22d of the monument to be erected at Orchard Knob, on the Chickamauga battlefield, in comon the Chickamauga battlefield, in com-memoration of the services of Maryland's soldiers on both sides in the civil war. He gave no definite reply to the invi-tation, saying that he would take the matter under consideration.

### KING'S PROGRESS IS VERY SATISFACTORY

# A GRAVE ROBBED IN **ONANCOCK**

Diamond Ring Stolen from the Coffin.

## THE HEADSTONE HAD BEEN TAKEN

Ghouls Disturb Grave of Mrs. Chas, I. Stengle.

### HAD BEEN BURIED **FULLY SIX YEARS**

Her Husband, the Rev. Chas. I. Stengle Well Known in Virginia as Editor of the Fredericksburg Free Lance. Was Miss Wilhelmina Roberts Before Marriage-No Clue Has Been Discovered.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ONANCOCK, VA., February 4.—The discovery was made to-day that the grave of Mrs. Charles I. Stengle, in the Onancock Cemetery, had been opened, and that a valuable diamond ring had been stolen from her finger. It is not robbed. It is probable, however, that the deed was done since Christmas. Mrs. Stengle died in Onancock six years

ago, and was buried in the cemetery Stengle, is well known in Richmond. He is now editor of the Free Lance, of Fred-A great sensation was created in Onan-

ock when it became known that the grave of Mrs. Stengle had been robbed. The grave is in the Onancock Cemetery, situated about one mile outside of town. While the time of the robbery is not wn, it was done during the past

had been broken open near the head of

No other motive for the deed can be Ing.

No other motive for the deed can be advanced, except the robbery of the ring. When Mrs. Stengle was buried her engagement ring, a valuable diamond ring, was placed on her finger. When the body was exhumed to-day the ring was missing. The body had been buried for over six years, and astonishment is expressed at the fact that the robbers should have waited these many years. The fact that the diamond ring had been put on Mrs. Stengle's finger was known to only a few riflends and relatives.

Mrs. Stengle was the first wife of the Rev. Charles I. Stengle, and was before her marriaga Miss Wilhelmina Roberts. Mr. Stengle is now editor of the Free Lance, Fredericksburg, Va. He was for a number of years editor of the Eastern Shore Virginian, then published at Onancock. He has also been chaplain of the House of Delegates, but is especially well known because of his relation to a famous libel suit in Richmond about

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a famous libel suit in Richmond about two years ago.

Mr. Stengle was to-day wired in regard to the robbery of the grave, and a reply was received offering a reward for the capture of the thief or thieves.

UNKNOWN PARENTS

CLAIM DAGER CHILDREN (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 4.-A well-dressed
man and woman, who refused to give

# MERCURY GOES TO FREEZING POINT

### .The Summer Weather of the Past Few Days Gives Place to Winter,

Wintry weather will again put Richmond under cover to-day and will rob the people of the snare and delusion of the past few days, which have served to provoke the belief that the good old summer time had come again. Before the sun sets it will probably be down to freezing point—a drop of some twenty degrees or more.

point-a drop of sample of the configuration of the change in the atmospheric conditions became apparent. The skies began to clear and the wind to blow, and the sultry alto move off in another direction. Then the wind grew higher and a small-sized storm developed. Telegraph whres were badly tangled up and considerable confusion resulted. By nightfall the drop in the temperature was marked.

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Yesterday morning at 8 o'clock the thermometer in Hichmond registered over fifty degrees. To-day it will probably descend to the freezing point. No snow is expected, however. The cold wave comes trein the Northwest, where at one place yesterday it was twenty-two degrees below zero.

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For a few moments yesterday morning early there was one of the flerest rainstorms Richmond has eyer experienced. In the short space of five minutes about a quarter of an inch of rain fell—an enormous amount. A heavy rainfall was reported from Lynchburg also, but no serious disturbance of the river is feared. The wind last night affected the telestraph wires considerably, and for a time study operators experienced much trouble.

their names, called at the day nursery nt No. 714 Wood Street yesterday and claimed as their children the little boy and girl, supposed to have been the offspring of Mr. and Mrs. George Dagor, left there last Thursday. They said that the children had been placed in the care of a friend and they were greatly supprised when they learned that they had been placed in the nursery.

### THINKS HE'S SOLVED SEA COALING PROBLEM

Savannali, N. Y., Feb. 4.—Though but twenty-three years old, Frank Metash, a New York Central section hand, who came to this country eight years ago, believes he has solved the problem of couling ships at sea.

He says he has been offered \$400,000 for his patent, but is holding off to await the result of expert investigation by Navy Department officials.

His device is a system of clamps to hold the collier and receiving vessel to gether. An automatic elevator raised mechanically on the collier lets the coal gravitate into the other vessel. The machinery takes up small room. The youth has studied the problem for five years.

### MR. JOHN BOWERS IS CRITICALLY ILL

Mr. John Bowers is critically ill at his residence, No. 907 Floyd Avenue. His physicians have given up all hope of his recovery, and his death is a matter of only a few days.

Mr. Howers is seventy-six years old and has been a resident of Richmond fifty-six years. For many years and until 1899 he was the head of the firm of John Bowers & Company, which conducted the largest contracting plumbing and housefurnishing house south of Philadelphia.

# LYLE BILL

Committee Rejects the Cabell Child Labor Measure.

### MR. DOHERTY TESTIFIES

Labor Commissioner Says Working People Desire the Latter-Successful Measure to Become Effective on January I, 1904.

Laws, after another long session last night, rejected the Cabell child labor bill, and decided to report it adversely Lyle bill, to become effective on January the testimony of Labor Commissions James B. Doherty, who in effect, en-dorsed the Cabell bill, and declared that he believed its passage was greatly desired by the labor people of the State Mr. Doherty was asked a great man questions by Judge John D. Horsley, counsel for Lynchburg cotton mills; Senator Lyle and many members of the committee. When he had concluded his testimony Judge Horsley spoke briefly against the bill, and offered some pletures of the operations of his works in evidence. Colonel Cabell closed with an eloquent appeal for the measure which lies so close to his heart, and which has already passed the House by a large majority. The committee then took the matter up in executive session with the result given above.

THE LYLE BILL
The Lyle bill provides flat-footedly against the employment of children of under twelve years of age in factories and stops there. The measure is not considered in the nature of the relief sought by the labor people, inasmuch as there are now but four factories in the State that employ children so young as twelve years of age, because the insurance companies do not seek the risks in such factories.

The Cabell measure provides that no questions by Judge John D. Horsley

ance companies do not seek the risks in such factories.

The Cabell measure provides that no child under twelve years shall be employed in any factory, etc., and that before children under fourteen shall be so employed they shall obtain certificates from a judge, school superintendent or trustee or the Board of Supervisors setting forth that their services are needed in supporting their families. The action of the committee was no surprise, as it had been pretty well discounted in the public press.

Colonel Cabell and the labor people, however, are very much disappointed at the result.

### MURDERER LEAPED FROM FAST TRAIN

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

KNOXVILLE, TENN., February 4.—By throwing himself from a train traveling at thirty-five miles an hour to-day. Henry Glies, who is wanted for the murder of William Goin, of Stonega, Ve., escaped Virginia officials who had him in custody. The escape occurred at Middlesboro, and before the train could be stopped he had gotten away. Ills wife, who is also wanted for complicity, escaped in the excitement, though sie is quite ill.

### LOST ARTICLES ARE AT THE BIJOU

The cloak room of the Bijou is storehouse of article of various value left by patrons of that theatre in their seats. A handsome fur collarette, a muff, numerous handkerchiefs and gloves and no less than five pocket books await

# THE STORM COVERS A WIDE AREA

Wind, Rain and Snow in Middle West and South.

## TELEGRAPH WIRES IN A GREAT TANGLE

Two Lives Lost and Numerous | The Subject of Alimony Not Accidents in Chicago.

### WIND SIXTY MILES AN HOUR IN KNOXVILLE

City Cut Off from Telegraphic Communication with the World for Floods in Kentucky, Tennessee and Mississippi in the Storm Belt-

Chicago-Milwaukee route, which were unworkable. Chicago for hours this morning was cut off from news of the outside world. Nearly a foot of snow fell. Rain and sleet, accompanied by a high wind, accomplished the havoe. Street car traffic is demolished, and trains are many

Two lives were lost and numerous accidents have been reported.

## KNOXVILLE CUT OFF FROM OUTSIDE WORLD

heavy rain and wind storm prevailed orning. The velocity of the wind reached sixty miles an hour, the highest since

Reports from flood warning stations on streams above here-indicate a rainfall of one inch throughout upper East Tennessee yesterday and last night. This, the Weather Bureau thinks, will cause a rise of several additional feet in the Tennessee River here, though no serious flood is anticipated.

Yesterday and last night's rainfall was .64 inches. Reports from flood warning stations

### RAIN FELL IN TORRENTS: WIND OF CYCLONIC FORCE

The storm which has prevailed through out this section for the past two or three days reached a climax last night, when the rain fell in torrents, the wind reach-

Ing almost cyclonic velocity.
Telegraphic and telephone wires are badly demoralized. The rainfall for the few hours during the deluge was .88 of

the disaster were not overcome for many hours after the fire, when one by one they succumbed. A complete list of the dead and seriously injured is as follows:

JAMES FOLEY, chief. ANDREW WHITE, captain of Truck No. 1, F:DWARD HOGAN, pipeman of Engine

Company No. 1. THOMAS DRONEY, pipeman of Engine Company No. 1. Seriously injured: Daniel McCarthy, truckman of Engine Company No. 1.; Themas Lancaster, captain of Truck No.

mumerous handkerchiefs and gloves and no less than five pocket books await owners.

Manager McKee is unxious to unload this drift material to those people who are able to prove properly.

MERCHANTS PREPARING

FOR BIG SPRING TRADE

It is quite likely that this will be a month of very good business with the Custom House. Imports are being received in such manner as to indicate that the Richmond merchants are preparing for a big spring trade.

# DIVORCE GRANTED MRS. SHAW

Decree Entered in Court in Albemarle.

## TO HAVE CUSTODY OF THE ONE CHILD

Mentioned.

### CONFERENCE AT THE WALDORF ASTORIA

At the Beginning of the Proceedings Which Mrs. Shaw's Attorney Relied for the Securing of the Divorce-She and

Mother Go to Europe.

4.-In the Circuit Court of Albemarie the third of the Langhorne sisters her husband, Robert Gould Shaw, second whom she was married on the 27th da

ceedings in the earlier stages of the Shaw evidence adduced and the decree of dipresent, nor was Mrs. Shaw, for that

decree was substituted for desertion.

All circumstances point to complete willingness on the part of both parties to separation. Mr. Shaw went to Europe "to make things easy." It is said, and now it is believed that a decree would have been entered at an earlier date, but for some lack of agreement as to alimony. No evidence of a demand for alimony is to be found in the papers in the case, and if one was made and finally acceeded to. f one was made and finally acceded to it was in the nature of a private ar-angement or adjustment cuiside of court

Mr. Daniel Harmon, Mrs. Shaw's a corney, refuses to say whether there we

The following is the decree entered:
"Nancy Langhorne Shaw, plaintiff, ve.
Robert Gould Shaw, second, defendent,
Circuit Court for Albemarle county, Va.
February term, 1903.
"The plaintiff having filed her bill a
rules, and the defendant having appeared
at rules and filed his answer, this cause
which has been regularly matured at

FOUR DEAD AND

OTHERS ARE ILL

Firemen Meet Death By Inhaling Fumes of Nitric Acid at Milwaukee Fire.

(By Associated Press.)

MILWAUKEE, WIS., February 4-Four firemen are dead and two others are said to be seriously ill from inhaling the fumes of nitric acid while fighting a fire at, the plant of the Schwab Stamp and Scal Company last night. The violims of the disaster were not overcome for many

the same is hereby, dissolved.

CARE OF THE CHILD.

"And it appearing from the evidence that the defendant, Robert Gould Shaw second, ought not to have the care and custody and maintenance of Robert Gould Shaw, third, the infant child of the parties, it is adjudged, ordered and docreed that the said child shall remain with its mother. Nancy Langhorne Shaw, the plaintiff, and she shall have the care, custody and maintenance of the said child, but she is to permit the said child to visit the families of its grandfather. Mr. Quincy A. Shaw, and of its aunts, Mrs. Harry P. McKean and Mrs. Lawrence C. Fenne, at reasonable times and plaintiff, but not in any way to interfere with his education or her plans of residence of travel.

"And it is further adjudged, ordered and decreed, that the said Robert Gould Shaw, second, be, and is hereby, enjoined and restrained from interfering in any way with the said plaintiff, or with the full and complete operation and effect of the decree.

"And it is further adjudged, ordered and decreed that the plaintiff do recover of the defendant her costs by her in this behalf expended.

"And the object of this suit being accomplished, it is ordered to be stricked from the docket of the cours" CARE OF THE CHILD.

# The End Yesterday of a

# IN HOTEL BUSINESS

## Accumulated a Large Fortune by His Enterprise.

## HOW HE SECURED HOTEL THAT BEARS HIS NAME